GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

BID NUMBER 6289 DUE: May 17, 2018 2:00PM

The Town of Trumbull, Connecticut (hereinafter referred to as Town), through the Office of the Purchasing Agent, will accept sealed bids from qualified vendors (herein after referred to as vendor, firm or bidder) for Trumbull Public Schools (TPS) to contract to purchase **INSTRUCTIONAL CHROMEBOOKS** as detailed herein for Trumbull Schools and in accordance with the enclosed terms and conditions, specifications, and requirements.

This RFP is not a contract offer, and no contract exists until a written contract is signed by the Town and the successful proposer.

1. PREPARATION OF PROPOSALS

Bids shall be submitted by using the BID PROPOSAL FORM that accompanies this request. Submit one (1) <u>ORIGINAL</u> and one (1) <u>EXACT COPY</u>. Bidders should submit bids in a clear, concise and legible manner to permit proper evaluation of responsive bids.

2. BID SUBMISSION

Bids are to be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked and addressed as follows:

Bid 6289 Due: May 17, 2018
Purchasing Agent
KEVIN BOVA
Town of Trumbull
5866 Main Street
Trumbull, CT 06611

Please be advised that the person signing the formal proposal must be authorized by your organization to contractually bind your firm with regard to prices and related contractual obligations for the delivery period requested.

3. BID TIME

Bids shall be received at the office of the Purchasing Agent, Town Hall, prior to the advertised hour of opening, at which time all proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after that time will not be opened or considered. A bidder may withdraw a proposal at any time prior to the above scheduled date and time.

4. <u>TOWN OPTIONS</u>

- a) The Town reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any requirements, irregularities, technical defects or service therein when it is deemed to be in the best interest of the Town.
- b) If your proposal does not meet or better the required specifications on all points that must be outlined in a letter otherwise it will be presumed that a proposal is in accordance with the required specifications.

5. TAXES

All purchases made by the Town, and associated with the award of this requirement shall be tax exempt. Any taxes must not be included in bid prices. A Town Tax Exemption Certificate shall be furnished upon request.

6. INQUIRIES

a. All inquiries regarding this request shall be answered up to the close of business on May 10, 2018, after which time no additional questions will be accepted. To ensure consistent interpretation of certain items, answers to questions the Town deems to be in the interest of all bidders will be made available in writing or by fax as appropriate to all bidders. All Technical inquiries may be directed to Jeffrey Hackett, Trumbull BOE Technology at 203.452.4311 hackettj@trumbullps.org. All other questions may be directed to Kevin J. Bova Purchasing Agent (203.452.5042) kbova@trumbull-ct.gov

Additionally, after proposals are received, the Town reserves the right to communicate with any or all of the bidders to clarify the provisions of Proposals. The Town further reserves the right to request additional information from any bidder at any time after proposals are opened.

7. AWARD AND AUTHORITY

The Town Purchasing Agent on the behalf BOE will issue notification of award in writing with a formal and a standard contract agreement. The BOE will issue the Purchase Order.

8. PRICING

All prices quoted are to be firm for a period of one (1) year following bid-opening dates. The Town is always interested in any and all cost reduction opportunities.

9. ASSIGNMENT OF RIGHTS, TITLES, AND INTERESTS

Any assignment or subcontracting by a bidder, vendor, or contractor for work to be performed, or goods and/or services to be provided, in whole or in part, and any other interest in conjunction with Town procurement shall not be permitted without the express written consent of the Town of Trumbull.

10. HOLD HARMLESS CLAUSE

The Bidder further agrees to indemnify, hold harmless and defend the Town from and against any and all liability for loss, damage or expense which the Town may suffer or for which the Town may be held liable by reason of injury, including death, to any person or damage to any property arising out of or in any manner connected with the operations to be performed under this Contract, whether or not due in whole or in part of any act, omission or negligence of the Owner or any of his representatives or employees.

11. WORK REGULATIONS AND STANDARDS

All work activities performed in association with this request must be performed and completed for the Town in accordance with current Federal State and Local regulations. All services performed shall also conform to the latest OSHA standards and/or regulations.

12. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Public officials shall be prohibited from receiving any town work procured through a public Bid or bid waived process so as to avoid any appearance of impropriety or conflict of interest; And; Public officials cannot circumvent the intent of this ordinance by receiving town work Through a bid waiver, as proscribed by the Trumbull Town Charter.

13. ADENDUMS

It is the responsibility of the bidder to verify <u>prior to final submittal</u> of a bid or bid if any addenda to this request have been issued. Any addenda to this request shall be posted on the Town of Trumbull website <u>www.trumbull-ct.gov</u> under the Purchasing Department's section. Bidders may also call the Purchasing Department directly 203.452.5031 for inquiries regarding addenda.

14. EXPERIENCE & REFERENCES

All responders to this request shall submit with their proposal (See Attached Form) at least four (4) references for products supplied similar to those required herein. (List primary contact names, addresses and phone numbers, etc.). It is the intention of the Town to contact all references listed.

15. WARRANTIES

A copy of all applicable warranties must be submitted in full detail.

16. <u>DELIVERY</u>

- a. Delivery & schedule shall be scheduled with the Information Technology Director BOE Jeff Hackett.
- b. Special consideration may be given to bidders that can expedite installation.
- c. ALL INVOICES TO BE SENT TO:

JEFFREY HACKETT TRUMBULL BOARD OF EDUCATION LONG HILL ADMIN BUILDING 6254 MAIN STREET TRUMBULL, CT 06611

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STATEMENT, OVERVIEW, SCOPE OF WORK, REQUIREMENTS AND SPECIFICATIONS

It is the intention of the Trumbull Public Schools (TPS) to contract for products and services to purchase INSTRUCTIONAL CHROMEBOOKS

Statement of Purpose:

It is the intention of the Trumbull Public Schools (TPS) to contract to purchase instructional Chromebooks. The district is seeking more than a commodity vendor as the RFP is intended to incorporate the vendors' expertise in streamlining the ordering and delivery. Only vendors with proven past performance with successful outcomes in similar initiatives will be considered. The TPS plans to reduce total cost of ownership by working with an experienced vendor committed to providing the best full-service solution.

School Locations:

Trumbull High School
Booth Hill Elementary
Daniels Farm Elementary
Frenchtown Elementary

Jane Ryan Elementary Middlebrook Elementary Tashua Elementary

Scope:

TPS seeks to contract with a single vendor for approximately 850 Chromebooks with Google Management Licensing. These Chromebooks will need to be delivered to seven (7) different locations throughout the district. These Chromebooks must be durable and charged from the side of the device. These Chromebooks must also have a 5-year or greater (EOL) End of Life policy from Google support.

All administrative services and materials required to fulfill the scope of the project will be the responsibility of the selected vendor. All expenses related to shipping/postage, and related costs where applicable shall be included in vendor's proposal. The TPS will not be responsible for costs outside the scope of work unless otherwise reviewed and approved by TPS in advance.

Chromebook Specification:

Quantity: 850

Description: 11.6" HD antiglare display (1366x768), camera, full

size keyboard/ touchpad, Intel Celeron N3350 2.4 GHZ (2m cache), 4GB Memory, 32GB SSD, Intel integrated graphics, up to 10 hours battery time, Intel Dual Band Wireless- AC 7260, Chrome OS, USB-C

and USB 3.0 ports.

Service/Support Requirements

- Vendors must be able to deliver Chromebooks to locations and in quantities as specified by the TPS. The TPS will provide the vendor with a schedule of delivery. This includes inside delivery.
- 2. All products bid shall be newly manufactured. Remanufactured, rebuilt, or previously owned equipment will not be considered.
- 3. Vendors must include all ancillary costs associated with the acquisition of a product within their bid.
- 4. Vendors must state the length of time pricing will remain static. This date must not become active until the final contract is awarded.
- 5. The TPS reserves the right to request complete documentation for any item proposed. Failure to provide said documentation upon request may result in disqualification from an award.
- 6. Vendors cannot substitute any hardware components without prior approval from the TPS.
- 7. Vender must be a Premier Service Partner and Service Provider.
- 8. Vendor must supply three references with at least one being of similar equipment.
- 9. The vendor, if requested, must be prepared to present evidence of experience, ability, service facilities, factory authorization and financial

- standing necessary to meet satisfactorily the requirements set forth or implied in the bid.
- 10. Vendors must have the resources to complete the entire order within 30 days.
- 11. Vendor will provide the TPS with an inventory of equipment in an Excel spreadsheet; this will include Chromebook model #, serial number and location.

Evaluation Criteria:

Each vendor's proposal will be evaluated. The TPS will judge the quality of each proposal based on (but not limited to) the following factors:

- Vendor Experience and References 25%
 The vendor's financial status and stability, commitment to program, history, experience, etc.
- Total Financial Cost 25%
 Total financial value of proposal including hardware, conditions, warranties, service and maintenance support, and any other value added options.
- Systems Technical Conformance 20%
 The degree the proposed systems are deemed to meet the standard configurations, performance and quality.
- Vendor Management and Support Services 30%
 The extent the proposal provides the support services necessary.

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PROPOSAL FORM

If needed please use another proposal form if supplying cost for both different Chromebooks.

Bid

Form

				Chromebooks	<u> </u>		
						Unit	Total
Item	Description			Quantity	Cost	Cost	
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1	Durable Chromebooks for Education (per bid spec's)			850			
2		Google management License			850		
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			(In Wo	ords)			
Please ex	plain the serv	/ice options	offered for th	ne product bid and related	d pricing		

Proposal continued

Date

ADDENDA The following Addenda have been rece been considered and all costs thereto a	eived. The modifications to the Bid Documents noted are included in the Base Bid.	therein have
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specifications and conditions requested herein.	the request noted above and certifies that this proposition. Any substitutions to the specifications requested a presented in a similar format to those requested a he right to reject any or all proposals.	I are clearly and
All detailed specifications and literature as re	quired attached.	
Delivery is (guaranteed)	days after receipt of order (ARO)	
Pricing is Firm Fixed Pricing (FFP) and shall r	remain in effect for days.	
Company Name	by (Signature)	
Address Zip Town-City	Print Name	
Email	Title	

Telephone/Fax

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EXPERIENCE & REFERENCES (To be submitted with proposal – attach additional pages as necessary)

List references for similar services provided for at least four (4) clients in the past five (5) years (attach any other client references if desired). PLEASE NOTE IT IS THE TOWN'S INTENT TO COMMUNICATE WITH THE REFERENCES LISTED HEREIN.

CLIENT 1:		
Organization Name:		
Contact Name:	Phone:	
Service Dates:		
CLIENT 2:		
Organization Name:		
Contact Name:	Phone:	
Service Dates:		
CLIENT 3:		
Organization Name:		
	Phone:	
Service Dates:		
CLIENT 4:		
Organization Name:		
	Phone:	
Service Dates:		
Project(s):		